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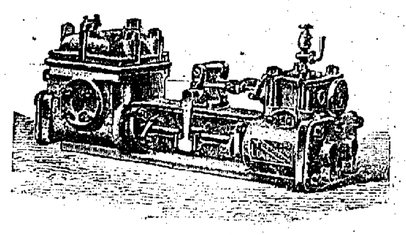

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904

HONGKONG POLO CLUB.

THERE will be an ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above CLUB at 6 p.m., on TUESDAY, May 1st, in the Hongkong Club.

Hongkong, April 23, 1900. 926

NOTICE.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS will be held on MONDAY, the 30th April, at 2.45 p.m., at the CHAMBER ROOMS, CITY HALL, to *Nominate a Member* of the Chamber to take the place of the Hon. T. H. WHITEHEAD, in the Legislative Council, during his Absence from the Colony.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce will be held the same Day, and immediately thereafter, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Committee and passing the Secretary's Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1899

By Order,
R. CHATTERTON WILCOX,
Secretary.

Hongkong, April 23, 1900. 924

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A Few STEADY BOARDERS (Gentlemen). Central Position on low level; good accommodation, with use of Billiard Table and select Library.

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Hongkong, April 2, 1900. 751

FOR SALE.

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Hongkong, April 19, 1900. 906

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM BONUS of TWENTY PER CENT. upon CONTRIBUTIONS for the year 1899, has been declared.

WARRANTS will be issued on the 1st May.

By Order of the Board,
W. J. SAUNDERS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, April 19, 1900. 915

Robinson Piano Co., Ltd.

GRANDS OF HIGHEST CLASS,
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HIRE AND TIME *PAYMENT ACCEPTED.*
MAGNIFICENT LOT NEW HAAKE PIANOS,
IS JUST ARRIVED.

NOTICE.

BELL'S ASBESTOS EASTERN AGENCY, LIMITED, will be under the management of Messrs BRADLEY & Co., on and after 1st May.

Hongkong April 19, 1900. 907

THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

SHARES in this Company on which a CALL of $1 was made PAYABLE on the 3rd day of March, 1900, and which said Call has not yet been paid, are liable to be forfeited in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company.

Interest at the rate of 10 per cent. p.a. will be charged on all Overdue Calls.

W. H. GASKELL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, April 18, 1900. 890

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the SECOND INSTALMENT of $5 per SHARE in respect of the 50,000 NEW SHARES has been Called up, and Holders of such Shares who have not already Paid this Instalment are requested to Pay the amount of such Call to the Undersigned at the Office of the Company No. 9, Praya Central on or before the 30th April, 1900.

Dated 27th March, 1900.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.
706

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a MEETING of the Board of Directors of the above Company, held at the Registered Office of the Company, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on Tuesday, the Twenty-Seventh day of March, 1900, the following resolutions were passed:—

1. That in pursuance of the provisions of the Special Resolution passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 7th and confirmed on the 27th March instant, and since duly registered, the sum of $1,250,000 be withdrawn from the Reserve Fund and be carried as of the 2nd July next, to the Credit of Capital Account, each share being credited with a sum of $25 as paid up thereon in addition to the sum of $50 now standing to the credit of each share.
2. That the balance of $25 per share of the Unpaid Capital of the Company be called up, and that a Call be and is hereby made of $25 per share upon all the shares of the Company, and that the Shareholders be requested to pay the the same to the Company's Bankers, the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at their premises, Queen's Road Central, on or before the 2nd day of July A. D. 1900.

Shareholders are hereby requested to pay accordingly.

And Notice is also given that, in accordance with Article 34 of the Company's Articles of Association, interest will be charged as from the said 2nd day of July 1900, at the rate of $12 per centum per annum, upon all Calls remaining unpaid after the 9th day of July 1900, up to the actual dates of payment of the same.

By Order of the Board.

A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 27, 1900. 702

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QUARTS, $2.00 per dozen.
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HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that SCRIP NUMBER 362 for Ten SHARES of this Company, Numbered 7165 to 7174, and dated the 20th May, 1893, in the name of FUNG WA CHUN, of Hongkong, having been LOST, a New Scrip for the same will be issued after One Month from the date hereof, and the Original Scrip will be Considered by the Company as Null and Void, and all Persons are hereby warned against accepting or negotiating the same.

By Order,
C. MOONEY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 30, 1900. 762

THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that SCRIP NUMBER 240 for 15 SHARES of the Company, Numbered 28004/28018, in the name of PAUL JORDAN, Esquire, of Hongkong, has been LOST, a New Scrip for the same will be issued after One month from the date hereof, and the Original Scrip will be considered by the Company as null and void, and all Persons are hereby warned against accepting or negotiating same.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, March 29, 1900. 717

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Offices of the Company, 38 and 40 Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 30th April, 1900, at Noon, for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, approving the Draft New REGULATIONS, which will be submitted to the Meeting, and in the event of the approval thereof with or without modifications, to consider and if thought fit, to pass a Resolution to the effect that the New Regulations, already approved by the Meeting, and for the purpose of identification, Subscribed by the Chairman thereof, be and the same are hereby approved, and that such Regulations be, and they are hereby adopted as the Regulations of the Company, to the exclusion of all the existing Regulations thereof.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
Governing Directors.

A Copy of the proposed Articles can now be seen at the Company's Office.

Hongkong, April 24, 1900. 919

Business Notices.

FOR THE SUMMER

SOFT FRONTED COLORED SHIRTS, very THIN and COOL.

Hosiery and Underwear,
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White Buckskin Boots,
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GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that SCRIP NUMBER 812 for 8 SHARES of the Company, numbered 13411/13421, in the name of WILLIAM MONARCH BURNSIDE ARTHUR, Esquire, of Hongkong, having been LOST, a New Scrip for the same will be issued after One month from the date hereof and the Original Scrip will be considered by the Company as null and void, and all persons are hereby warned against accepting or negotiating same.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, April 10, 1900. 830

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 9, Praya Central, on SATURDAY, the 28th April, 1900, at Noon, when the subjoined Resolution, which was Passed at Extraordinary General Meeting held on the 12th April, 1900, will be Submitted for Confirmation.

RESOLUTION.

That the Capital of the Company be Increased to $1,000,000, by the creation and issue of 50,000 NEW SHARES of $10 each fully paid up.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, April 12, 1900. 840

Business Notices.

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CROWN SODA,

Guaranteed to be Manufactured from Filtered Water, and to contain only the Purest Bicarbonate of Soda in Solution.

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AERATED WATER MANUFACTURERS.

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LEMONADE. BELFAST GINGER ALE.
SARSAPARILLA. Etc., Etc. 179

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$4.50 per Cask of 375 lb. net ex Factory.
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Glazed Stoneware, Drain Pipes and Fittings, Glazed Paving Bricks and Tiles, Fire Bricks and Fire Clay.

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A New consignment of American and Japanese ORGANS.

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Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION,

TO-MORROW,

the 26th April, 1900, at 11 A.M., at ARMY ORDNANCE STORES, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST,—The following GOVERNMENT STORES:—

At the ARSENAL YARD:—

OLD BRASS and BRASS SCREWS, GUNMETAL, COPPER, WHITE METAL, LEAD, ZINC, STEEL, CAST, WROUGHT and GALVANISED IRON, LEATHER, BLANKETS, IRON CHAIN, SERGE, TENT DUCK, GROUND SHEETS, TARRED and PLAIN CANVAS, ROPE, DOOSOOTIE, BUNTING, LINEN, COTTON and WOLLEN RAGS, WADMILLETS, BED CASES, WOOD and PACKING CASES, LANTERNS, TEA POTS, COFFEE POTS, FENDERS, WINDSAILS, &c.

Also,

A quantity of OLD ARMY CLOTHING in R. E. YARD, opposite NAVAL YARD:—

EMPTY CASES, PACKING CASES, ZINC LININGS, OLD IRON and WOOD.

Catalogues can be had at the Ordnance Office or from the Auctioneers.

TERMS OF SALE:—Cash on Delivery. All faults and errors of description at Purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer. All Lots to be Cleared within 48 hours.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, April 25, 1900. 941

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on

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FINELY-CARVED CANTON BLACKWOOD CURIO STANDS, TABLES, TEA-POYS and CHAIRS, JAPANESE INLAID CABINET, CHERRY LACQUER WRITING DESK, TEAK OVERMANTELS with BEVELLED MIRRORS, BRASS FENDER, BRASS STANDARD LAMP, LACE and MUSLIN CURTAINS, JAPANESE CLOISONNE VASES and PLATES, CHINESE PORCELAIN, COLLECTION of BIRDS' EGGS (including Emu's), ORNAMENTS, CARPETS, RUGS, Etc.,

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One GRAND PIANO by JOHN BRINSMEAD & SONS, (in excellent condition.)

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Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:—As Customary.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, April 21, 1900. 909

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NOTICE.

WE beg to notify the Public that the Notice, dated the 1st day of the present Moon, which appeared in the *China Mail* of March 31, in the name of KUNG YUEN FIRM, Importers of ANNAM RICE, No. 112, WING LOK STREET, Hongkong, were erroneously issued by LAU SIU CHEUK who, in the interests of the Firm, was trying to put some restraint upon his Sons and Nephews. But at that time the undersigned YUEN OI U was at Canton and knew nothing of the matter.

Whereupon a meeting has been convened, and we have come to the conclusion that the usual course be adopted in dealing with all transactions respecting Promissory Notes, Securities, &c.

Some Years ago a power of attorney was made to his eldest son, YUEN LAI-CHUEN by the undersigned YUEN OI U, and by this power vested in him, the said YUEN LAI CHUEN is to conduct the management of the firm.

Dated 4th day, 3rd Moon, 26th year of Kwong Su.

YUEN OI U.
LAU NG.
LAU SIU CHEUK.
931 of the KUNG YUEN FIRM.

NOTICE.

IT is hereby notified that for fear of complications that may be occasioned by the numerous Sons and Nephews of the LAU KWONG U TONG, all transactions connected with this TONG are executed in Cash and never on Credit.

Promissory Notes, Securities and other valuable documents must bear the signature of the undersigned, LAU SIU CHEUK, Administrator of the said TONG.

Any documents which bear the Chop of the said LAU KWONG U TONG or that of the KUNG YUEN FIRM, but *not* the signature of the undersigned LAU SIU CHEUK shall not be recognized. In such cases, only the offenders who surreptitiously made use of these chops (and not the undersigned nor the KUNG YUEN Firm), will be Responsible for any Liabilities.

This is expressly published to prevent disputes in the future.

Dated 5th day, 3rd moon, 26th year of Kwong Su. LAU SIU CHEUK.

Administrator of the LAU KWONG U TONG (Partner of the KUNG YUEN Firm). 932

To-day's Advertisements

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Manager ... Mr. JAMES BELL.

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TO-NIGHT (WEDNESDAY), FIRST GRAND CHANGE OF PROGRAMME.

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Special Late Theatre Steamers will leave for Kowloon every Evening after the Performance.

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JAMES MORGAN,
Business Representative.

Hongkong, April 25, 1900. 951

TO-MORROW NIGHT,

(THURSDAY), the 26TH APRIL.

WARREN'S CIRCUS.

(Opposite Harbour Master's Office, West Point.)

GRAND BENEFIT NIGHT OF THE **SISTERS WARREN.**

UNDER DISTINGUISHED PATRONAGE.

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BOX PLAN AT ROBINSON PIANO Co.

W. PFLUEGER,
General Representative.

Hongkong, April 25, 1900. 957

SANITARY BOARD.

THE Attention of Owners of HOUSE PROPERTY in the Colony is directed to the requirements of Section 7 of Ordinance No. 34 of 1899, with regard to the Backyard for every existing Domestic Building, and to the fact that these Backyards must be Provided before the first day of June, 1900.

By Order,
G. A. WOODCOCK,
Acting Secretary, Sanitary Board.

Sanitary Board Office,
Hongkong, April 10, 1900. 854

TO LET.

PREMISES Nos. 213, 215, and 217 Queen's Road East:—Suitable for DWELLING HOUSES and SHOPS.

Also FOR SALE therein ONE GAS MOTOR for PRINTING MACHINE.

Apply within.

Hongkong, April 25, 1900. 958

THE PEAK CHURCH.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of WORSHIPPERS at the PEAK CHURCH will be held in the Vestry of St. John's Cathedral, on WEDNESDAY, May 2nd, at 4.30 p.m.

Business:—

To pass the Accounts and Report.
To elect a Committee.

R. F. COBBOLD,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, April 25, 1900. 956

ZETLAND LODGE,

No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on TUESDAY, the 1st May, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. VISITING BRETHREN are cordially INVITED to attend.

Hongkong, April 25, 1900. 953

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship YUENSANG, Captain P. H. ROLFE, R.N.R., will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd May, at 4 p.m.

This steamer has superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, April 23, 1900. 936

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	Vessels.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Amoy and Manila	Sungkiang (s)	Butterfield & Swire	April 26.
Australian Ports	Tsinan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	May 15.
Australian Ports	Eastern (s)	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	May 3, at 4 p.m.
Australian Ports	Yawata Maru (s)	Nipp'n Yusen Kaisha	April 27, at 4 p.m.
Bremen & Ports of Call	Prinz Heinrich (s)	Norddeutscher Lloyd	May 2, at noon.
Havre and Hamburg	Konigsberg (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	May 10.
Havre and Hamburg	Bamberg (s)	Calowitz & Co.	About May 22.
Havre and Hamburg	Sarnia (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	About June 6.
Iloilo & Cebu	Esmeralda (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	April 27.
Liverpool	Ixion (s)	Butterfield & Swire	April 30.
Liverpool	Idomeneus (s)	Butterfield & Swire	May 24.
London & Ports of Call	Bongal (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	April 28, at noon.
London v. Suez Canal	Alcinous (s)	Butterfield & Swire	May 15.
London v. Suez Canal	Patroclus (s)	Butterfield and Swire	May 29.
Manila	Tsinan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	April 26.
Manila	Diamante (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	May 1, at 5 p.m.
Manila	Yawata Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	April 27, at 4 p.m.
Manila	Yuensang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	May 2, at 4 p.m.
Marseilles v. Saigon	Ernest Simons (s)	Messageries Maritimes	May 7, at 1 p.m.
Marseilles & London	Malacca (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About May 3.
New York	George T. Hay	Siemssen & Co.	Quick despatch.
New York v. Suez Canal	St. Regulus (s)	Dodwell & Co., Ltd	About May 3.
Portland, Oregon	Braemar (s)	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	June 9, at noon.
San Diego v. Japan	Carlisle City (s)	Butterfield & Swire	May 5.
S. Francisco v. Japan	Gaelic (s)	O. & O. S. S. Co.	May 1, at noon.
S. Francisco v. Japan	China (s)	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	May 15, at noon.
S. Francisco v. Japan	Hongkong Maru (s)	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	May 8, at noon.
Shanghai	Coromandel (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About April 27.
Shanghai	Loongmoon (s)	Siemssen & Co.	April 27, at 3 p.m.
Singapore, Bombay, &c	Kagoshima Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	April 27, at noon.
Swatow	Hailoong (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	April 26, daylight.
S'tow, Amoy, & F'chow	Haiching (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	April 27, at 11 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Tag	Maidzuru Maru (s)	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha	April 29, daylight.
Tacoma (Wash.), &c.	Glenogle (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	April 24, at noon.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c	Empress of Japan (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	May 16, at noon.
Y'ma, v. N'saki, Kobe	Rosetta (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About April 28.

To-day's Advertisements

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Hongkong, April 25, 1900. 952

NOTICE.

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APPLICATIONS for SHARES may be handed in to the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED, up to 30th April.

LAUTS, WEGENER & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, April 25, 1900. 955

NOTICE.

IT is hereby NOTIFIED that the UNDERSIGNED LI LAI TING, of SA PO Village, Kowloon, is the owner of Several PIECES of LAND bequeathed to him from his Ancestors, situate at LI U MOON, extending as far as Ngan Tau Kok. They are also called by natives Nga Ih Tau and Kau Pui Shek. Taxes have hitherto been paid by the Undersigned.

For fear of any secret and dishonest negotiations for the Sale of the said Property it is hereby declared that no Bills of Sale will be recognised unless they bear the signature of the undersigned.

LI LAI TING.

Dated 21 day, 3 moon of the Kang Tsz year. 948

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Hongkong, April 25, 1900. 950

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THE Company's Steamship IDOMENEUS, Captain RILEY, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 24th May.

For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 25, 1900. 949

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 24.

Carlisle City, British steamer, 1,894, Thomas Aitken, San Diego March 17, and Moji April 20, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

April 25.

Brisk, British cruiser, 1,770, Coudr. R. B. S. Wray, Weihaiwei April 19.

Rosetta, British steamer, 2,030, C. C. Talbot, R.N.R., Yokohama April 18, Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Mikawa Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,404, M. Takahashi, Amoy April 23, General.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Haiching, British steamer, 1,267, W. Davis, Foochow April 21, Amoy 23, and Swatow 24, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP Co.

Bingo Maru, Japanese steamer, 6,241, F. Davies, Moji April 18, General.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Kagoshima Maru, Japanese str., 2,714, Numome, Moji April 20, General.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hue, French steamer, 700, P. Morlees, Haiphong via Hoihow April 24, Rice and General.—A. R. MARTY.

Maidzuru Maru, Japanese steamer, 667, T. Ogata, Swatow April 24, General.—MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA.

Bankedi, British steamer, 1,487, R. Farquhar, Moji April 20, General.—GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

CLEARED.

Stanfield, for Bojang.
Kansu, for Shanghai.
Hongkong, for Haiphong.
Lesbury, for Singapore.
Bellerophon, for Amoy.
Jason, for Amoy.

DEPARTURES.

April 24.

Phoenix, British gunboat, for Shanghai.
Algerine, British sloop, for Nagasaki.

April 25.

Empress of India, for Shanghai and Vancouver.
Seang Leong, for Amoy.
Kiangsi, for Chinkiang.
Menmuir, for Manila.
Awa Maru, for Yokohama.
Loyal, for Newchwang.
Sibiria, for Singapore and Hamburg.
Ness, for Newcastle.
Kwang Ping, for Canton.
Meefoo, for Shanghai.
Mausang, for Gaya.
Wingsang, for Canton.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Rosetta*, from Yokohama, Messrs J. Hance, A. H. Ellis, R. Goedkoop, S. Ellis, G. Betteridge, E. H. Arnold, Capt. Rose, Mrs Abbott, children and amah, Mr and Mrs Frizell, child and amah, Mr and Mrs Ferrar and child, Misses Cochran, G. A. O'Brien, and M. L. O'Brien, Messrs P. Thomson, T. Mason, 11 Chinese and 3 children.

Per *Haiching*, from Coast Ports, Misses Rozorio, Wedderspoon, Gardiner, E. Hopun, Mr and Miss Simpson, Mrs Boyd Bredon, nurse and child, Messrs Leyburn, Baker, Rev. L. H. Star, Mr and Mrs Tze, and 290 Chinese.

Per *Bingo Maru*, from Moji, Mr and Mrs E. Sprague and 4 children, and 5 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Menmuir*, for Manila, Mr A. J. Hughes, Miss McClellan, Mr M. Schneer, Mrs and Miss Day, Mrs McClintock, Mr J. F. Lord, Miss Lord, Mrs Glenny, Miss Henderson, Mrs M. B. Brooks, Messrs Paul Meller, F. H. Beebe, B. Sakai, G. K. Denny, J. Carticorena, P. Beringo, W. E. Johnson, W. Margulis, P. Parales, L. Campagnoli, P. K'teuas, B. Barbish, H. Williams, and 29 Chinese.

Per *Empress of India*, from Hongkong: for Shanghai, Baron de Meyer, Baroness de Meyer and maid, Mrs T. Bassett, Messrs H. H. Fox, Chiu Yu Chi, Chu Tsun Kin, W. G. Hall, Von Noslitz Wattnitz, James Morgan, Coupdr. Plenderleath, and Mr H. Molton; for Nagasaki, Messrs A. Heckwald and W. H. White; for Yokohama, Mr W. Sutherland, W. H. Howard, Capt. A. W. Bowley, Rev. Hans Adamson, Miss Mellim, Lt.-Col. and Mrs Bertie, Prof. E. Hamilton Sharp, Mrs E. Hamilton Sharp, Messrs T. M. Wakefield and Allen Johnson; for Vancouver, Messrs F. W. Black and B. M. Peerton; for Winnipeg, Messrs Jno. A. Taylor and George Taylor; for San Francisco, Mr R. E. Miller; for New York, Mrs Hans Adamsen, 4 children and maid, Mr and Mrs E. C. Davis, Mr and Mrs F. Domhurst; for Washington, Lt. C. Davis, U.S.N.; for London, Messrs E. Wakeford, H. C. Barnard, A. B. Stephens, P. and R. Barker, Mrs H. F. Hamilton, Mr G. A. Godsell, Capt. and Mrs R. A. J. Montgomerie, maid and valet, Miss A. E. Godsell, Mr Flannagen, Rev. Hennessy and valet, Mrs E. Rapheal, Miss Clough, Messrs S. Tullis, Herbert W. Linford, W. Trood, P. H. Bethell-Jones, Mrs Bolster, Mr and Mrs Monisty, Miss Fawcett, Mr and Mrs J. F. A. Hastings, Miss Forlong, Mr Richard Anning, Miss M. J. Anning, Mr N. Hawken, Misses Barber and Sopper; Liverpool, Mr P. T. Micholl; for Paris, Mons. Stephen Portret. From Yokohama: for Vancouver, Mrs and Miss McDonald, Miss Nina Burnett, and Mrs Frank Burnett, Jr.; for London, Mr M. Muller, Mrs R. E. Keefer, Messrs C. F. Wrigley, E. B. Hall, J. C. Hunter, Rev. and Mrs A. Doak, Messrs David Trail, C. W. A. Bruce, J. N. Smith, C. S. Weir, Lieut.-Col. W. H. Baker, Mr E. Coleman, J. Davidson, Miss Ethel Getty, Brig. Surg. and Mrs Smith, Mr F. J. Hollingsworth, Miss Mary Brook, Miss Beatrice Hegginbottom, Mr; and Mrs A. Lawrence, and Mr E. R. Lane for Liverpool, Mr and Mrs Wm. Turner.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Carlisle City* reports: Fresh N'ly winds and fine. Spoke H.M.S. *Brisk*, bound for Hongkong.

The British steamer *Haiching* reports: Weather, moderate to fresh Easterly winds, cloudy or overcast throughout. Steamers in Swatow: *Singan, Woosung, Canton, Pakshan, Dupuar, Newchwang, Kwangse, Taiwan*, and *Szechuen*.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For AMOY & MANILA.—
Per *Sungkiang*, at 10 a.m., on Thursday, the 26th April.

For SINGAPORE.—
Per *Fansang*, at 11 a.m., on Thursday, the 26th April.

For SAMSHUI & WUCHOW.—
Per *Samshui*, at 4 p.m., on Thursday, the 26th April.

For KUMCHUCK & SAMSHUI.—
Per *Saikong*, at 4 p.m., on Thursday, the 26th April.
Per *Sailong*, at 4 p.m., on Saturday, the 28th April.
Per *Saikong*, at 4 p.m., on Monday, the 30th April.

For MANILA.—
Per *Taiwan*, at 5 p.m., on Thursday, the 26th April.

For HAIPHONG.—
Per *Michael Jebsen*, at 5 p.m., on Thursday, the 26th April.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Auctions.

11 a.m.—Auction of Sundries at H.M.'s Ordnance Stores, Queen's Road East.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY and FRIDAY, April 26 and 27:—2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at 'Eden Hall,' Lower Richmond Road, the Residence of Geo. R. Stevens, by Mr. Geo. P. Lammert.

SATURDAY, April 28:—
Goods per *Maria Valeria* undelivered after this date subject to rent.
9 p.m.—Meeting of Eothen Mark Lodge.

MONDAY, April 30:—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of the Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd., at the Offices of the Company, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central.
2.45 p.m.—Meetings of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce in the City Hall.
3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land, at Queen's Road West.
3.30 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at Mount Gough Road.
Goods per *Oceanien* unclaimed before Noon, subject to rent.
Goods per *Awa Maru* not cleared after this date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, May 1:—
6 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Polo Club of the Members in the Hongkong Club.
9 p.m.—Meeting of Zetland Lodge.

FRIDAY, May 4:—
Noon.—Extraordinary General Meeting of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at the Company's Offices, No. 2, Connaught Road.

Exchange.

HONGKONG, April 25, 1900.

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On Berlin—Demand,	2.00¾
On New York—	
On demand,	47⅝
Credits, 60 days' sight,	48⅝
On Bombay—	
Wire,	145¾
On demand,	146¼
On Calcutta—	
Wire,	145¾
On demand,	146¼
On Singapore—	
On demand,	1 % pm.
On Manila—	
On demand,	2½ % pm.
On Shanghai—	
On demand,	71¾
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On Yokohama—	
On demand,	3½ % pm.
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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 1900.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

(SUPPLIED THROUGH RECTER.)

OUTWARD:—*Conch*, March 6; *Benlomond, Anne*, 9; *Saratov*, 13; *Verona*, 16; 20; *Canton, Ardandearg*, 23; *Annam, Benlawig, Alexander, Shangtung, Taurus*, 27; *Patroclus, Pyrrhus, Socotra, Abbey, Holme*, 30; *Indrani, Gisela, Sidah djt*, April 3; *Diomed, Aker, Roma*, 6; *Babelsberg, Ettrickdale, Hamburg*, 10; *Inaba Maru, Agamemnon*, 12; *Salazie, Ballaurat*, 17; *Indus, Ulysses, Min, Minterne*, 20.

HOMEWARD:—*Ceylon*, April 6; *Sarpedon*, 10; *Savoia*, 20.

Mails.

The P. & O. Co.'s s.s. *Coromandel*, with the ENGLISH MAIL of 30th March, left Singapore on Sunday, the 22nd April, at 6 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 27th April. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on 26th Feb.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. *Prinz Heinrich* left Kobe, via Nagasaki and Shanghai, on Sunday afternoon, the 22nd April, and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 1st May.

The O. & O. Co.'s s.s. *Oceanic*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 17th April.

The P. M. Co.'s s.s. *China*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 7th April.

The Imp. German Mail s.s. *Hamburg*, carrying the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 2nd April, left Colombo on Friday afternoon, the 20th April, and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 1st May.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Empress of Japan* left Vancouver for Hongkong, via usual ports of call, on Thursday afternoon, the 19th April.

The T. K. K. s.s. *Aiyoi*, with mails, &c., which left Hongkong March 15th for San Francisco via Moji, Kobe and Yokohama, arrived at her destination on the 21st April.

Steamers Expected.

The s.s. *Suisang*, from Calcutta and Straits, left Singapore for this port on Friday, the 20th April, at 5 p.m.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Kagoshima Maru* left Kobe, via Moji for this port on the 18th April, and is expected to arrive here on the 25th April.

The C. M. Co.'s steamer *Chingtuo*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, left Singapore for this port on Saturday afternoon, the 21st April, and may be expected here on or about the 26th April.

The N. P. Co.'s s.s. *Abergeldie* has arrived at Yokohama, and sailed for Hongkong on the 24th April.

The N. P. Co.'s s.s. *Belay Vostok* has arrived at Yokohama, and sailed for Tacoma on the 20th April.

The Gibb steamer *Adrie*, from Sydney, &c., left Port Darwin on the 18th April, for Manila and Hongkong.

The N. P. Co.'s s.s. *Duke of Fife* sailed from Tacoma, for Japan and Hongkong, on the 5th April.

Latest Advices.

The H. A. L. steamer *Sambia*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 24th April, and may be expected here on or about the 30th April.

The 'Ben' Line str. *Benlarig*, from London, left Singapore on the 24th April for this port.

The T. K. K. s.s. *Hongkong Maru*, with the AMERICAN MAIL, left Shanghai on Wednesday, the 25th April, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 27th April.

The Burial of Dr Mivart.

A special telegram to the *Pioneer*, dated April 8, gives particulars of the burial of Dr Mivart, the eminent scientist:—Cardinal Vaughan has prohibited the burial of Dr Mivart or his relatives in Kensal Green and the remains have been deposited in unconsecrated ground without religious rites. General indignation is expressed at this proceeding and litigation is impending.

The Moji Coal Trade.

A Japanese paper learns that the Moji coal trade, which was in a depressed condition during the first half of March, revived towards the end of that month. The quantity of coal exported during the above month amounted to 139,424 tons, valued at 733,353 yen, showing an increase of 41,209 tons, showing an increase of 41,209 tons in quantity and of 106,003 yen in value over the figures for the corresponding month of last year.

The Soldier's Sermon.

At one of the Church Parade services the Dead March in 'Saul' was played on the organ at the close, in memory of the the late Commander-in-Chief of the Forces in India. When the music ceased the congregation were startled, and none more so than the *padre* in the pulpit, by one of the private soldiers marching up the aisle, turning round, facing the congregation, and exclaiming in a clear loud voice—'Verily, verily, I say unto you, except ye repent ye shall all likewise perish.' Then he quietly resumed his place. It seems this soldier is a religious enthusiast. He meant nothing personal, but simply allowed his zeal on this occasion to outturn his discretion. Anyhow he made a mark. The *padre's* discourse evaporated, and the soldier's sermon stuck.

Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil is now extensively used in hospitals as a sterling remedy for all diseases of the lungs, prompt in effect. Perfectly palatable. Sold by all Chemists. Wholesale and Retail from A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong.

The Plague.

During the twenty-four hours ending 24th April, 5 new cases of plague were reported, and 3 deaths.

Ada Delroy Company.

The second appearance of the Ada Delroy Company at the Theatre Royal last night was patronized by a large attendance, and the performance was carried out with great success.

Share List.

The following alterations in our share list are noted after the hour of correction: Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, 310 % prem.=512½, sellers; China Traders', $54¼, sellers; Straits, $1, buyers; Humphrey's, $10.65, sellers; New Punjom, $6½, sellers; Green Island, $31½, sales and buyers; and Hongkong Cotton, $38, sellers.

Warren's Circus.

An attractive programme has been prepared for the performance to be given to-night at Warren's Circus under the patronage of H.E. Major-General Gascoigne, C.M.G., and the party from Headquarters House. To-morrow night, there will be another change of programme, when the Warren Sisters will take their benefit. This will be the last performance prior to the departure of the circus for Shanghai by the steamer *Loongmoon*.

Hospitals.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hospitals beg to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals:—

D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	$100
Dinner Balance B. & S.	61.06
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.	50
Canadian Pacific Railway Coy.	50
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Nippon Yusen Kaisha	50
Peninsular & Oriental Steam N. Co.	50
Reuter, Brocklemann & Co.	50
Siemssen & Co.	50
Standard Oil Co. of New York	50
Abdoolally Ebraham & Co.	25
D. Nowrojee	25
D. Gillies	25
F. Bomemann	20
Lamka and Rogge	20
Carmichael & Co.	15
J. R. Crook	15
A. M. Essabhoy	10
A. J. Jackson	5

Yangtse Trading Company.

Messrs Arnhold, Karberg and Co., Shanghai, have been appointed agents of the Yangtse Trading Co., a Company started by Mr Archibald Little, of Chungking, for the purpose of establishing steam navigation on the Upper Yangtse. The Company have a steamer now building at Shanghai called the *Pioneer*, and it is expected she will start on her maiden voyage from Chungking direct *via* Hankow and Ichang towards the middle of May. The fare to Chungking and back to Shanghai will be Tls. 400 for first-class passage. So far no steamer has been up to Chungking and the *Pioneer* will be the first to attempt this. Needless to say the undertaking will be watched with great interest in Shanghai.

Medical Missions.

It cannot be denied that the efforts of medical missionaries in China are productive of much good work in the country, and are of great value in the enlightenment of the population. A perusal of the report of the Tungkun Medical Missionary Hospital is of considerable interest as showing the confidence that is being gained by the natives in Western medical science and also the results of investigations of the staff of the hospital. During the year 509 malarial cases were treated at the hospital, and in pursuit after the source of infection it was found that of 404 patients who were asked the question 223 answered that they were not possessed of a mosquito curtain. In the case of 250 patients the hour of attack was investigated, and 42 were found to have been attacked before noon, 36 at noon, and the average hour for the others was three o'clock in the afternoon. Revolvers are now in common use in the country, and the Chinese native doctors being unable to deal with emergency cases recourse has to be had to the Mission hospital. It is a fair conclusion to draw, therefore, that as the number of Western firearms increase, so by accidents in their handling and also by proficiency in their use the number of persons requiring assistance from the hospital will continue to increase and the influence of the hospital will spread. To some it may seem hardly consistent that medical missionary efforts should flourish on the combativeness of mankind, but after all it is only the natural course. The angry passions rise, the blow is struck or the shot fired, the injured one is removed to the surgery to be operated upon, and lying on the bed of suffering a change may be effected in the victim's nature by sympathetic and kindly nursing. In gratitude for the kindness bestowed upon him the patient will have some good to say of the missionaries and confidence in western medical treatment will be gained amongst his friends. Out of the strong shall come forth sweet!

WHEN TRAVELLING

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The Japanese Naval Manœuvres.

The Japanese naval manœuvres were to be concluded to-day, when all the vessels taking part were to assemble at Kobe to be reviewed by His Majesty the Emperor. The manœuvres opened on 27th March.

Mining in the Philippines.

A party of miners have succeeded in locating several promising fields of gold and other minerals in the northern provinces of the Philippines. The party have organized themselves under the name of the Philippine Mining Co., and have formulated laws for their mutual protection on the lines of the U.S. statutes.

Alarming Death Rate at Bangkok.

There has been an alarming increase in the death rate of Bangkok within the past few weeks and many prominent residents have been carried away. The *Siam Free Press* says:—There is scarcely a day that we do not see funerals, and hear of people dying from cholera, fever, small-pox, etc., in almost every quarter of the city. We are informed that no less than a dozen interments took place in the Chinese cemetery, alone, during the past few days. And when we consider the great number of foreigners, who have been buried for the last few weeks in the Roman Catholic and Protestant cemeteries, we are led to think that the condition of Bangkok is alarming. Even the young and robust are cut off, as well as the old and feeble. That mortality among the inhabitants is increasing, is a fact which cannot be denied, and the sad condition of the natives who live in the thickly-populated districts, is really deplorable.' The cause of the high mortality is said to be attributable to want of proper sanitation and want of wholesome water to drink.

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS:—At *Kowloon*.—Isla de Cuba, Taiyuan, Progress, H.M.S. Whiting, H.M.S. Humber, Gaelic.

Cosmopolitan.—Don Juan de Austria, Independent, Devawongse, Rosetta.

Aberdeen.—(none.)

NOTES FROM HAINAN.

(*From Our Own Correspondent.*)

HOIHOW.

After an unusually long and cool winter the hot weather of our tropical summer has at last come in all its force. The plague still continues very severe, but we hope that with the coming of the warm, dry weather the dreaded disease will begin to abate. It is a surprising fact that the district in which the plague is found is confined to Hoihow and a few of the surrounding villages, while Kiungchow, which is distant but three miles, has no reported cases.

A NEW PORT NEEDED.

While all of the emigrants leaving come from other parts of the island, yet on account of the plague in a space about a mile square at the port, all emigrants from the other 12,000 square miles of the island, are prevented from going abroad. Many who have come to their homes leaving their business in the Straits Settlements, are thus caused to suffer considerable hardship. It seems that the government should do something to remedy these conditions; and that a port should be opened in the neighbourhood of Ka-chek or Van-cio in the eastern part of the islands, to accommodate the native passenger traffic which comes almost wholly from that region.

LOI INSURRECTION SUPPRESSED.

Reports come from the south of the island that the Lois in Ngai-chow who have been in insurrection for the last two years and a half have at last made terms with the Chinese Government and have agreed to the terms which have been imposed on them by the Chinese officials. The troops which have been operating there are now being withdrawn to the north of the island, where they are needed.

PIRACIES.

It seems that the pirates who have been driven out from Kwang-chow-wan by the French have moved south with their operations and are operating on the coast of Hainan. They have looted pawnshops in several places and have seized persons belonging to wealthy families and held them till ransomed by their friends. It seems that they may operate quite unmolested by any of the forces which the Chinese government now have here for the protection of ocean commerce. It seems that the coasts as well as the rivers of China need the British gunboats to protect commerce.

ROBBERS.

It is reported from the interior near Nodoa, that the robbers who operated there two years ago, while not in open insurrection as then, are carrying on a more lucrative scheme by stealing cattle and sending them across the Loi country to Long-sui, where they are sent out to the large cattle markets in the east of the island from which beef cattle are sent to Hongkong. It seems as if the people would have to adopt some method of branding and registering their cattle to prevent them being all run out of the country.

As a matter of encouragement, the crops are looking well and there is no fear of famine.

ADELE:—'Would you marry a man simply because he was rich?' Mabel:—'No; but I would try very hard to love him.'

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TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

LONDON, 23rd April.

THE WAR.

Reuter's correspondent at Wakkerstroom wires that the Boers, on the 22nd inst., attempted to turn General Rundle's right, but the Yeomanry and mounted infantry detecting the movement drove off the enemy. Many of the enemy are moving southward.

LATER.

THE BOER STRENGTH.

The *Times* correspondent at Lourenço Marques states that the South African republics at one time had 105,000 men in the field, and that they still muster 80,000. The Burgher lists were deliberately falsified to deceive the British Intelligence department.

GENERAL BRABANT AT BUSHMANSKOP.

General Brabant engaged the Boers at Bushmanskop, and several hours' cannonading took place.

WEPENER.

Colonel Dalgety reports 'all well' at Wepener.

THE POLITICAL SITUATION IN CHINA.

THE DOWAGER-EMPRESS THOROUGHLY FRIGHTENED.

A correspondent who has recently been on a visit to Peking gives his impressions of the political situation as follows:—

I learn from intercourse with diplomatic circles and the oldest foreign residents that the Manchus in China, who lost ancient military power and are only 3,000,000 among 350,000,000 Chinaman, can only continue to govern by keeping the discontented Chinese in undeveloped ignorance of the true state of affairs. The Empress Dowager, herself a Manchu, was thoroughly frightened two years ago by the reform movement of Kang Yu-wei, and thinks foreign trade invasion is likely to awaken and educate the Chinese and thus endanger the Manchu dynasty. She has, therefore, placed in power reactionary Ministers who believe in the China of olden times and would like to see all foreigners driven out at the expense of foreign trade. The present advisers of the Empress are opposed to the open door and avoid as far as they dare Treaty obligations. The anti-foreign feeling held by the Court has spread amongst the people and this is undoubtedly the cause of the present uneasiness in China which is endangering foreign life and capital. Under the existing regime not only are foreign encroachments opposed but all foreign trade. Russia having a greater force near at hand is more feared and respected at Court than the other Powers. The United States is perhaps less disliked because they have been less aggressive.

The Emperor's Joke.

His Majesty the Emperor of Japan, who is a horseman of repute and also an authority on the horse, recently hit upon a splendid plan of making the prefectural governors, now assembled in Tokyo, attempt an equestrian feat. In the course of a dinner at the Palace, his Majesty urged them to develop a taste for riding, and suggested a long ride to Koganei, noted for its cherry flowers. The Governors cheerfully obeyed the Imperial command, with the result that on Sunday last a cavalcade of some fifty men was formed, the horses being supplied from the Imperial stables. Some of the men could not ride at all, but managed, however, to cling to the saddle. It is needless to say that there were many falls, one Governor having his right hand badly bruised. Two had to come home in jinrikishas. Marquis Saigo made himself conspicuous by whipping the horses from behind, thus frightening the animals, whose riders, in many cases, made frantic efforts to prevent themselves from falling. On returning to the palace, the Chamberlain, who accompanied the party, reported the particulars to the Emperor. His Majesty heartily laughed, so runs the story.—*Nagasaki Press.*

The 'Open Door' in China.

The *Politische Korrespondenz* has received from St. Petersburg an abstract of Russia's answer to the Note of the United States concerning the 'open door' in China. With regard to the uniformity of action observed by all the other Powers in the districts leased by China, Russia agrees entirely with all those principles which are far from being of an exclusively selfish character. Although the establishment of its administration in the peninsula of Kwantung has cost Russia 50,000,000 roubles, free entry was accorded through the free harbour of Talienwan to all stations. The Customs limitations, which were fixed at Port Arthur, owed their existence to the special position of that military port. If it should be deemed to be necessary later to bring the whole of the Kwantung Peninsula and the rest of Manchuria within the Customs limitations, then the measures taken would be in accordance with the productions of all countries. It is said that France has returned a similar reply to the American Note in recognising the principle of reciprocity in fixing the Customs dues for all districts, which are in the same position as those mentioned in the Note.

LUCY:—'Why dont they begin to play?' Amy:—'The surgeons and the stretchers have not yet arrived.'

CLERK (to busy employer):—'There is a gentleman outside, sir, who says that he is a very old friend of your father's.' Busy Employer:—'Tell him I'm sorry, but my father is dead.'

'I OFTEN endeavour to encourage young writers,' said the editor, 'by accepting stuff that is utterly unavailable.' 'But isn't that rather expensive?' 'Oh, no, we pay on publication.'

SUPREME COURT.

IN CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

(*Before His Hon. Sir J. W. Carrington, and a Special Jury.*)

TUESDAY, April 24.

THE MURDER TRIAL.

THE DEFENCE.

The hearing of the charge against Ghoba Khan, private in the Hongkong Regiment, of murdering one of his comrades, named Goulam Hassan, was resumed.

The leading of further evidence for the prosecution occupied the fore early of the day.

Mr M. W. Slade stated the case for defendant. He proceeded to comment on the evidence given for the prosecution. The Attorney General had explained to them why the four men, mentioned as being in the room when the alleged murder was said to have taken place, had not been called by the prosecution. They were very good reasons, but he (Mr Slade) intended calling these men and every man who knew anything that might throw light on the case. Before doing so, however, he would make a few comments on the evidence in which he would not detain the Court long. The story told by the witness for the prosecution was that a dastardly attack had been made on a man sleeping on his bed, and that Sahib Deen had reported the matter to the Senior Non-Commissioned officer. It was absolutely absurd that one of the men accused of inciting the prisoner to murder the deceased should be the one to report the murder to the senior Non-Commissioned officer. As regards the medical evidence, in spite of what the doctor had said, it was open for them to decide how the blow was given. Continuing, Mr Slade dealt with the evidence which had been led as to the position in which the murdered man was lying, and the position of the blows which, he contended, could not have been inflicted while deceased lay on his bed with his head but a foot from the wall. The wound on the back of the top of the head the learned counsel specially emphasised as impossible unless the man had been standing up. The Subadar found the man lying on his right side. There was no wound on that side and still the witnesses all agreed that the body had not been moved. These were three very vital difficulties which they would somehow have to surmount before they could accept this account of the dastardly outrage on a man sleeping on his bed. They had as an alternative the story told by the prisoner himself, and that was that there had been a quarrel between the deceased and himself; that they had had hard words which led to hard blows, and that prisoner, having the more effective weapon, he had killed deceased. The learned counsel could not say if there had been any grudge or that he had been carried away by passion. If the jury did not believe this story they were thrown back on the story of the prosecution, and if it were trustworthy they would find a verdict of guilty of murder. If there had been a light such as prisoner said there had been, who would not hit back? The facts as given by the witnesses for the prosecution pointed to the fact that prisoner had his master's sword, instead of using which he picked up a broom, a similar weapon to that which Goulam Hassan was armed with. The prosecution had shown that deceased was a bigger and stronger man than prisoner and he only defended himself. He would call evidence to show that prisoner had permission from Captain Rowcroft to take his sword into barracks to clean it, and he would call Havildar Gama, one of the men accused of urging prisoner to commit murder, and would show that Havildar Gama was in his own room. Sahib Deen (another accused man) would be proved to have been out of the room at the time of the transaction. Fuzzel Khan, who was supposed to have been sleeping on his bed, would be called and relate the account of the fray as he reported it to Allah Deen. Private Gama was asleep in the room. All these witnesses would tell different stories bearing on the case, but they would all state one important fact, and that was that Allah Ditta was asleep on his bed and only half heard and did not see the blows struck. In conclusion, Mr Slade said that, taking the worst construction of the case by concluding that there was a quarrel and not a deliberate attack on a man lying on his bed, they must bring in a verdict of manslaughter. But, to do this, the jury must not have the slightest doubt. If they gave the prisoner the benefit of any doubt, and considered that there was no primary intention to kill nor to seriously injure the deceased, but that after he had been insulted, he hit back, and hit back hard, and that the force exerted was not greater than what he naturally thought was sufficient to save himself from his adversary, then they must say not guilty of either murder or manslaughter.

The evidence for the defence was then taken, but had not concluded when the Court adjourned shortly before five o'clock.

Wednesday, April 25.

Only one more witness remained to be examined for the defence, his evidence being concluded about 11.15.

His Lordship said that yesterday, after the adjournment, two members of the jury spoke to him outside and expressed a desire to see the section room at the Barracks in which the murder was alleged to have taken place. He told them that they had better not go informally by themselves, but that he would take the opinion of the whole jury to-day as to whether or not they would go and see the room. If they wished to do so he had arranged for a launch to take them to Kowloon at once.

The jury considered the matter, and the foreman intimated that two were in favour of visiting the room and five against.

His Lordship—Well then, gentlemen, I suppose you will go with the majority.

Mr Slade then summed up eloquently for the prisoner, and submitted what he considered to be the effect of the evidence heard during the past three days. In the indictment it was set forth that the prisoner did kill and murder a fellow-man. On that indictment it was open to the jury to bring in a verdict of guilty of murder, that was to say that he killed the man, or they could bring in a verdict of guilty of manslaughter, that was to say that he killed a man but had not premeditated the act, that it was unintentional killing; or they could bring in a verdict of not guilty, and that verdict of not guilty did not mean necessarily that they believed the man to be innocent, but it meant that the prosecution, the Crown, had failed to bring home satisfactorily to their minds that the man had been guilty either of murder or manslaughter. They might add to their verdict, supposing they found prisoner guilty, a rider and say it was under circumstances of great provocation and would strongly recommend him to mercy, or whatever they thought would meet the justice of the case. Proceeding to deal with the evidence of the case, Mr Slade said that if the jury believed the story of the Crown the prisoner most deliberately went up to and slew a sleeping man. If they believed that story it would be proper for them to bring in a verdict of guilty. Before they accepted a story of that kind, however, it was well to look at the reasonableness of the story and the probabilities in the case. They had the advantage of hearing a number of witnesses who had been able to tell in detail a very different story, a story which, he thought, when they considered it, would be found more probable; and then they had the story of the prisoner himself as to how the killing occurred. One point about which there was no dispute was that it was the prisoner who caused the death of the deceased man by striking him on the head, but what they had to consider was how and under what circumstances the prisoner struck these blows. The story of the prosecution was that the prisoner, in presence of five men, who were looked upon as friends of the prisoner, but one of whom was clearly not his friend in reality who was sitting up on his bed smoking and watching the whole thing, walked down the room and struck murderous blows at the man lying sleeping in his bed. That story was most extraordinary. Was it probable that a man in his senses would go and hit another man on the head in the presence of other five people? Surely he would not do it in earnestness. It was absurd. If he wanted to take his vengeance on this man he would take the opportunity when there was no one to watch him. He would not go and do it in the eyes of Alla Ditta. The story was too strong, it was too exaggerated, it was too murderous, too foolish to be true. Mr Slade, proceeding, asked the jury to compare that, in its broad outlines, with the story which was told by the prisoner and the story as told by the witnesses for defence. It appeared from the latter story that the deceased man made indecent proposals to the prisoner at a time when there were five or six men in the room, but when all these five or six men were on their beds sleeping, eyes covered up. That was just at the moment that a man, filled with lust as the deceased seemed to have been, would have been likely to have made the proposal, and then the story was, as was told in the defence, that the prisoner rejected these proposals. It appeared that after these hard words passed between the prisoner and the deceased, the deceased man picked up a broom to assault the prisoner in anger. The prisoner thereupon seized another broom and repelled the assault and hit the deceased over the head with such violence that he died. Nobody saw it, nobody was awake to see it, nobody, except the prisoner according to the story, knew exactly what passed between these men.

His Lordship—I suppose you are aware that you must not open any facts that are not proved in evidence. You cannot, in other words, make statements of fact founded upon what the prisoner states.

Mr Slade—I would not think of referring to a single thing other than what has been referred to in Court. The mouth of the prisoner is absolutely closed in this sense that having called witnesses he may not make a statement to you. Continuing, Mr Slade said it was possible that Alla Ditta might have interfered in the quarrel between the deceased and the prisoner and then not wishing to be mixed up with it rushed back to his bed and pulled the cover over his head. He submitted that the prisoner had told the truth and that Alla Ditta had deliberately told something that was not the truth. They had two different stories, a story which displayed an amount of foolishness on the part of the prisoner which was absolutely inconceivable, the story for the defence being that an affray took place when the other people in the room were asleep. This was the more reasonable one. The prisoner only did what any man, who was assaited as he was, would do. He attacked him after having made these gross and insulting suggestions. If the prisoner's story was substantially true, they must say that he was not guilty.

The Court adjourned at a quarter to one o'clock, for tiffin.

At two o'clock the Court resumed when the Attorney General summed up the case for the prosecution. He went over the whole story piece by piece at great length. He said, dealing with the prisoner's statement as to what occurred on 4th March, that a charge such as that made by prisoner against deceased, was a very easy charge to make against the man. The deceased man was not here to defend himself. To carry the statement to the end, they had the evidence of the native captain of his company that, when the prisoner reported deceased, he asked him if he wished to carry the matter further and report it to the European officer (Capt. Rowcroft); he refused to do so. It thereupon could not be proved that the deceased man attempted anything of the nature of which he was charged. It showed, however, that there was ill-feeling between the deceased and prisoner. Referring to the prisoner's statement as to what took place on the 8th March, the Attorney General asked if after the quarrel and after the report to the subadar, it was likely that deceased would have been so foolish as to go to that man in broad daylight, on the 8th March, in the section room where other men were, and renew such a base proposal. It was equally possible that the prisoner was the man of foul mind.

His Lordship addressed the jury. He first dealt with points of law as to the different verdicts it was possible for the jury to return. He afterwards made some severe criticisms on the conduct of one of the officers of the Regiment in the matter. He said he wished to refer to Captain Rowcroft's conduct in this matter, although he regretted having to do so. It seemed to him that when a private in that section was found to have been killed, and was alleged to have been killed by another private in that section, the duty of the officers of the regiment was very clear. They had a double duty—a duty to the deceased and a duty to the living man. It appeared to him that that double duty would be best discharged by a fair and impartial line of conduct in the matter, by giving all assistance to the officers of justice, by way of making investigation into the crime, by seeing that that crime was punished if brought home to the guilty one, and by taking care that the man charged had a proper defence. It appeared to him that the duty of the officers was not to throw their weight and influence among the soldiers of the regiment, into the balance one way or the other. It seemed to him indiscreet to do so. He did not wish to reflect on the integrity or truthfulness of Captain Rowcroft. He was only speaking with reference to the exercise of Captain Rowcroft's judgment in this matter. Captain Rowcroft said in his evidence—'I am here officially on behalf of the regiment to watch the case. I certainly believe the witness Alla Ditta was lying and I asked if anyone could disprove his statement. I tried to get evidence for the defence. I have given no information to the police about the case as it was not my duty to do so. The Subadar came to me in the afternoon.' Continuing, His Lordship said he was very sorry Captain Rowcroft had made those statements. He would give them two illustrations to show that they were unfortunate. Suppose the man at the bar now was acquitted, and suppose that the non-commissioned officers and men of the regiment were very clear in their own minds that he caused the death of the deceased man unlawfully and wickedly, what was the inference that the men would draw? Could there be a worse thing for the discipline and order of the regiment than that? He did hope that in cases of this kind, and especially in an Asiatic Regiment where, as they knew, evidence was not of the same character, that officers would be very careful not to take too active a part on one side or the other. Let them watch the case as Captain Rowcroft, but don't let them in any way prejudge the accused and say that the witnesses for the Crown are lying and get evidence to disprove their statements. He made these observations and hoped that they would be attended to in future.

VERDICT.

The jury after a short absence returned a unanimous verdict against prisoner of manslaughter.

Asked by his Lordship if he had anything to say why sentence should not be passed upon him, prisoner said that if he had intended to kill Hassan he would have killed him with the sword or shot him. Perhaps his time was up and he died.

His Lordship said it was a very bad case of manslaughter. Though prisoner may have had some provocation and although he may have acted in hot blood, he acted wickedly and wantonly. He thought prisoner must undergo a long sentence by way of showing that human life was precious and people must be prevented from taking it recklessly. His Lordship then passed sentence of imprisonment for 18 years with hard labour.

CORRESPONDENCE.

VOLUNTEERING IN HONGKONG.

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'

Hongkong, April 24.

DEAR MR EDITOR,—Your article of Saturday about the Volunteers was full of interesting suggestions for all Britishers, and the idea that the Jubilee Memorial Fund, or a portion of it, might be devoted to providing a Drill hall and proper Headquarters for the H.K.V.C. is very worthy of consideration by the subscribers to that fund, as they cannot apparently get any forrarder with their original scheme.

There are the plainest of reasons why people who are spending their money, or deciding how money subscribed by them for some specific object should be diverted to another purpose, and the first consideration for the subscribers, after the first fiasco, would be, should they get value for their money.

The effectiveness of British Volunteers as a fighting force is no longer an abstract question, it has been fully settled by the unanswerable logic of work done and deeds accomplished, and there is nothing to choose between them, whether they come from the Colonies, India or the Homeland—good at the best the whole lot. There is no reason to suppose the men from this Island would be less than that.

It does not follow that the organization of the local Corps is the best that can be devised for the work that may come to hand—this may be separated into defence of the Island and Kowloon and operations beyond those limits.

The present establishment of a light Field Battery, three Machine Gun Companies, a weak Infantry Company and an Engineer Company, appears as though it had grown up not with any real reference to a means to an end, but in some haphazard fashion. The Engineer Company may be left out of count for land operations, as it was raised for the express purpose of augmenting the strength of the submarine defences in the matter of searchlights and so on.

Not being a military expert, I can only make a diffident guess at what would be desired by the G. O. C. in charge of the operations. I suppose extreme mobility would be the first requisite, and that the Corps does not possess at present, so with the hope of drawing an opinion from better qualified authority I put down my attempt at judging the requirements.

One Mounted Infantry Company.

One Light Battery.

Three Infantry Companies with machine guns attached.

As to armament and drill, the Mounted Infantry should be that and nothing more, no cavalry ideas as to charges, but only to get about at the best pace their China ponies could do, seize and hold positions as infantry, and wait for supports.

The Artillery should have the best quick-firing gun devised. It is to be always remembered that the men are worth more than the gun, and a 2.5 muzzleloader is hopelessly out of it with a Krupp or Crewzot of about the same calibre, either in range or rapidity of fire, and it is not outside the bounds of possibility the Volunteer battery might have to meet the fire of one or the other class of gun.

Machine guns of the Maxim type would seem to reach their least point of efficiency in broken country; their ability to pump bullets on a limited area is scarcely equal in effect on a hillside to the fire of the same number of men manning the Maxim if properly trained with the rifle, and hopelessly inefficient against light long-range artillery.

The infantry companies should be on special training, a modicum of barrack square movements but a maximum of field training.

If it is objected that you will not get men to join if you give them too much hard training, the answer is the Volunteers and their work in South Africa, and the different successes of the men handling them. The man who does not expect the first class drill of the barrack square, but expects an intelligent fighting man generally gets it in the Volunteer.

It is said that most of the Boer commandoes cannot form fours, but they pass muster as fighting men.—Yours, etc.,

Q.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued from the Observatory:—

On the 25th at 11.55 a. The barometer has fallen over Japan and the Loochoos, owing to the formation of a depression to the W. of the latter area. Pressure is high to the E. of Japan and over N. China. Gradients moderate for N E winds on the China coast. Forecast:—fresh N E winds; dull, rainy.

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ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

The Cowcchow Rock Cup, presented by the Hon. C. P. Chater, C.M.G., will be sailed for on Sunday, 29th April, starting at 1 p.m. Course, Rock about one mile S. W. of Cowcchow (starboard).

HANDICAP.

	min.	secs.
Bonito (Scratch), allows		
Main Marian	0	30
Erica	0	30
Iris	2	30
Meteor	3	30
Doreen	4	30
Gloria	4	30
Active	7	—
Dart	8	30
Ladybird	9	30
Payne	10	—
Sybil	11	30
Princess	13	—
Gazelle	17	—

THE 'BONITO' CUP RACE.

On Saturday, the 21st, a third and last attempt was made to sail off the 'Bonito' Cup race for which ten yachts again started. All except the 'Maid Marian' got away to a good start before a light easterly breeze; the helmsman of the 'Maid Marian' having badly miscalculated his distance from the line was well left and could not get through the boats on the run to the West end of Stonecutters. 'Erica' slipped away at a great pace, pursued by 'Gloria,' with the 'Dart' next and the remainder all in a bunch. Nothing of note occurred until the leader was about half way from Stonecutters to the mark boat, except that Captain Des Voeux managed to run the 'Payne' ashore just beyond the Rifle Range, and this extinguished her chance; as they were all leisurely reaching over to the mark but with the wind on the port beam, a curious black cloud was seen coming up from Lantao, and in a very short time all were struck by a furious squall from the west and away they went on the starboard tack, most of them staggering along with their booms in the water. The 'Erica' being ahead at the time got the squall first and rounded the markboat about three minutes ahead of 'Gloria,' and carried the full weight of the squall right up the harbour, while those in rear had it much lighter. Just as 'Erica' took in her spinnaker to round Meyer's buoy, the wind died down and up came the east wind again, giving 'Erica' a run home while the remainder had to beat up to Meyer's buoy, a distance of nearly a mile from where they were when the west wind left them. 'Iris' did well in the beat in the light wind and caught the 'Maid Marian.'

The official timing at the finish was:—

Erica	4	40	44	winner.
Dart	4	55	25	
Gloria	4	55	40	
Iris	4	59	32	
Maid Marian	4	59	40	
Active	5	4	24	
Princess	5	9	55	

'Payne' and 'Meteor' did not finish.

FINAL CLUB RACE.

On Sunday, April 22nd, was sailed the Final Club Race over course No. 19, *i.e.*, a mark boat off Lyeemoon, Kowloon Rock and the Lyeemoon mark again; all to starboard. There was a light easterly wind at the start which gradually hardened into a nice comfortable wholesail breeze. The race was practically a match in the first-class between 'Maid Marian' and 'Bonito' and in the second-class between the 'Meteor' and the 'Dart,' these four being so far ahead that it was impossible for them to be anything but first and second. In the first-class 'Erica' and 'Gloria' were first across the line at the Pier end, 'Bonito' and 'Maid Marian' crossing on the starboard tack near the mark boat, the former having succeeded in pinning her rival under her lee. At Blackhead's Pier 'Bonito' on the port tack would have just met 'Erica' on the starboard, but the latter courteously went round some time before they met, subsequently giving way to the 'Maid Marian' on two occasions. The 'Gloria' worked into the Dock Bay keeping ahead of the 'Maid Marian,' but finding herself behind 'Bonito' when they met off the point. 'Iris' had been working the south shore but did very badly there. 'Gloria' and 'Maid Marian' stood on a long board into Quarry Bay, where they got a great lift and at one time looked to be a long way ahead of 'Bonito' who kept more to the north shore and proved to have considerably the best of it when the other two crossed over. The first mark was rounded by 'Bonito' three minutes and twenty seconds ahead of the 'Maid Marian' who was about a minute behind 'Gloria.' On the run to Kowloon Rock, 'Gloria' picked up a little on 'Bonito,' but the 'Maid Marian' keeping too close under the North shore, got hung up for a bit and the first three rounded the Rock in the same order, 'Gloria'—being only a minute behind 'Bonito,' who had increased her lead on the 'Maid Marian' to four minutes and ten seconds. The beat up was uneventful, 'Gloria' making the same mistake of keeping too far towards the Hongkong shore, and the Lyeemoon mark was rounded for the second time by 'Bonito' three minutes before 'Gloria' and five ahead of the 'Maid Marian.'

The beat up was uneventful, 'Gloria' making the same mistake of keeping too far towards the Hongkong shore, and the Lyeemoon mark was rounded for the second time by 'Bonito' three minutes ahead of 'Gloria' and five minutes ahead of the 'Maid Marian.' 'Bonito' went a straight course for the line close to North Point and from that straight in as there was no tide, which was easily to be seen from the way the shipping was swung. 'Gloria,' however, from North Point stood across into Hunghom Bay and worked up inside as if a strong ebb were running, and the 'Maid Marian' made a last despairing bid for a fluke by keeping along as far as possible under the North Shore, but it was no avail and the first class finished as under:—

Yacht.	Time of finish. h.	m.	s.	No. of Marks.	Total Marks.
Bonito	3	50	1	10	53½
Gloria	3	53	15	4	4
Maid Marian	3	55	35	1	45
Erica	3	57	27		28
Iris	3	59	13		23
Doreen	4	3	59		19
Chanticleer. } Active }	did not start.				7½

The 'Bonito' thus wins the first prize and Championship, the 'Maid Marian' being second and 'Erica' third. In the second class the racing was uneventful, but the finish was close, 'Meteor' only saving her time by 28 secs; as she allows the remainder 20 secs a mile, *i.e.*, 4 min. and 40 secs. on this course, which is 14 miles.

The times of finishing of the second class were:—

Yacht.	h.	m.	sec.	No. of marks	Total marks
Meteor	4	9	7	10	73
Dart	4	14	15	4	65
Princess	4	17	5	1	2
Payne	4	20	30		18
Ladybird	(did not start)				13

CORRESPONDENCE.

(WHAT IS IT?)

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'

Hongkong, April 25, 1900.

SIR,—The above seems to be, judging by your last night's issue, a question in vogue, as far as the Mahatma's wonderful performance is concerned. But if thought-reading is looked upon as a species of wireless telegraphy, it does away with the mysterious and brings it within the pale of an actual science from whence a plausible answer can be obtained. As in signalling through space a receiving instrument tuned in accord with the sending one will collect the wave disturbances caused by the latter and reproduce similar sounds, is it not possible for a mind to be so constructed as to be in synchronism with wave impulses of other minds and reproduce their thoughts? This would also give a satisfactory solution for the 'uncanny' presentiments one hears about. The failures might be explained by some minds being so 'tuned' as to be of too high or too low a pitch for the receiving mind.—Yours, etc.

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~~FOOD SUPPLY AND ITS COST.~~

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'

Kowloon, April 24.

DEAR SIR,—I have read with much interest the correspondence in your valuable paper regarding the prices of food in the Colony and the continually increasing prices of the same, and different people's views of the case, and have been expecting to see in every issue that someone had struck the real solution of the case, *i.e.*, co-operation, which would (in my humble opinion) cause the Compradore, etc., to quickly reduce their prices. If *all* the memorialists to the Council were to form a Co-operative Association they would in a very short space of time have the satisfaction of getting their food at cheaper rates, and at the same time securing a share of the profits, which, judging by the results of Co-operation at home, would be munificent. Thanking you in anticipation.—Yours Truly,

HUGH MARTIN.

THE WRECK OF THE TOKIO MARU.

SERIOUS CHARGES AGAINST THE CREW.

Referring to the wreck of the *Tokio Maru*, a correspondent of the *Kobe Herald*, writing from Chefoo, on April 4, says:—

I have just returned from a visit to the *Tokio Maru*. She lies on Miautau Island (Chang-shan). She is sunk as far aft as the bridge on the upper deck at high water, and the water reaches into the fore end of the saloon on the lower deck. The damage to her bottom must be considerable, and the vessel has a 10° list to port. Divers have been sent for and until they report the extent of the damage it is impossible to judge whether the ship can be raised or not. Having visited the ship and felt her working on the bottom, and taking into consideration the dangerous position in which she lies, I should judge it will be a very difficult task to raise her, even if it is at all possible. The passengers and those of the crew not wanted have been sent back to Chefoo. The loss of four lives was due to some of the passengers rushing a boat which capsized. The crew behaved very badly. They broke into every place and into every manner of goods available, and did a lot of other purely wanton destruction. The steward, I believe, was intoxicated shortly after the accident and he allowed all the liquors to be broken into and taken away. The saloon now presents a sorry spectacle. The fittings are torn down and everything is scattered around as if madmen had been in the place. The compasses, chronometers, piano, and some other articles that escaped the violence of the crew may, however, still be saved.

THE BURMAH BOUNDARY COMMISSION.

THE SEVENTH FRONTIER CONFERENCE.

The special correspondent of the *Rangoon Gazette*, writing from Camp Mong Vin on March 18, says:—

The seventh frontier conference was held on the 12th inst. Little progress in negotiations was made. Things look rather as if the Commissioners may not succeed in coming to a final settlement of the matter this season. The position of the Chinese Commissioner appears to be a difficult one. Such instructions as he is able to get come through the Viceroy of Yunnan, but they are in many points at variance with the treaty. It would seem that the Viceroy does not display a complete willingness to act in accordance with orders received from his superiors at Peking, which handicaps the work of the Commissioners. General Liu left to himself would no doubt make for a speedy termination of the work; he has no wish to be caught by the rains still wandering about the jungles. The Taotai also as the heat increases and the wet season comes near might manage to overcome his natural obstructiveness; he did so at the last moment last year, it may be remembered. Altogether it is not easy to say at present when the Commission is likely to complete its labours. A few days further halt is necessitated at Mong Vin for the British Commissioner to hear from Rangoon. Meanwhile a part of the Reserve Escort has to go on ahead to Nalawt to get rations, which owing to the unavoidable change of plans are running short. This party sets off to-day, the 18th. Signalling, which, on account of clouds and haze, and in spite of the indefatigability of the signalling officer, has been carried on with the greatest difficulty for some time past, will be closed on the 24th, and whether we shall have any more this season is problematical. The wounded are all doing well; 'panji' wounds are already completely healed. Mr Litton has quite recovered. We hear from Mong Tum, where the Chinese have left a considerable garrison, that the Was have not made any more raids into the valley since our departure, but have also made no offers of submission.

Opium Quotations.

HONGKONG, April 25, 1900.

New Patna, cash	—
Old Patna, cash	940
New Benares, cash	880
Old Benares, cash	940/5
New Malwa, credit	—
Allowance, Taels	—
Last Year	900/910
Allowance, Taels	8/15, 7/16
Old Malwa, credit	920/950
Allowance, Taels	8/16, 12/16
Persian, Oily, cash	—
Allowance Taels	—
Persian, Paper tied long	880/900
Allowance, Taels	—
Persian, Paper tied long takes	—

Shipping.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship HAILOONG, Captain BATHURST, will be despatched for the above Port on THURSDAY, the 26th Inst., at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., *General Managers.*

Hongkong, April 24, 1900. 945

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship TSINAN, Captain ANDERSON, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 26th Inst.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines.

A duly-qualified Surgeon is carried, and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, April 23, 1900. 864

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship LOONGMOON, Captain F. W. SCHULZ, will be despatched for the above Port, on FRIDAY, the 27th Inst., at 3 p.m.

This Steamer has superior Accommodation for First and Second-Class Passengers.

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SIEMSSEN & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, April 24, 1900. 839

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR ILOILO AND CEBU.

THE Company's Steamship ESMERALDA, Captain A. RAMSAY, will be despatched as above on the 27th Inst.

This Steamer has superior Accommodation for Passengers, and is fitted with the Electric Light.

A Doctor is carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., *General Managers.*

Hongkong, April 9, 1899. 823

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAM SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's New Steamship DIAMANTE, Captain G. J. BLAXLAND, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 28th Instant, at 5 p.m.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the excellent Accommodation provided by this Steamer. She is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., *General Managers.*

Hongkong, April 23, 1900. 935

THE OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA, LD.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship MAIDZURU MARU, Captain T. OGATA, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 29th Inst., at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, *Agents.*

Hongkong, April 23, 1900. 933

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LIVERPOOL (DIRECT).

(Taking Cargo at LONDON Rates).

THE Company's Steamship IXION, Captain THOMPSON, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 30th Instant.

For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, April 19, 1900. 902

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship MACHAON, Captain HANNAH, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 1st May.

For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, March 29, 1900. 719

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L. I. I. British Ship GEORGE T. HAY, SPICER, Master, is ready to load and will have quick despatch.

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Hongkong, April 9, 1900. 821

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All suffering from **Catarrh, Consumption, Obstinate Coughs or Colds** and those affected with diseases of the **Chest, Lungs and Bronchial Tubes,** should take

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Shipping.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY AND MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship SUNGKIANG, Captain MOORE, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 26th Instant.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, April 23, 1900. 914

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FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship YAWATA MARU, 3,800 Tons Gross, Captain A. E. MOSES, will be despatched for the above Port on FRIDAY, the 27th Instant, at 4 p.m.

This New Mail Steamer is specially constructed for service in the Tropics, and is provided with superior accommodation and with all modern fittings and improvements for the safety and comfort of Passengers. Electric Light and Refrigerator; Doctor and Stewardess carried.

Return Tickets issued by this Company are available for return by Steamers of the other Lines.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
A. S. MIHARA, *Manager.*

Hongkong, April 20, 1900. 913

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN & QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship EASTERN, Captain ELLIS, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 3rd May, at 4 p.m.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly-qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA are available for return by the Steamers of the CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY and *vice versa.*

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, April 6, 1900. 794

FOR NEW YORK *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship ST. REGULUS, will be despatched for the above Port on or about the 3rd May.

For Freight, apply to
DODWELL & Co., LD., *Agents.*

Hongkong, April 16, 1900. 877

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship TSINAN, Captain ANDERSON, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 15th May.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage. A duly-qualified Surgeon is carried, and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA are available for Return by the Steamers of the Eastern and Australian S. S. Co., and *vice versâ.*

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, April 23, 1900. 863

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship ALCINOUS, Captain PULFORD, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 15th May.

For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, April 9, 1900. 818

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship PATROCLUS, Captain DICKENS, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 29th May.

For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, April 19, 1900. 901

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship *BENGAL*, Captain S. BARCHAM, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 28th April, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed *vid* Bombay with Transhipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. M. MARSHALL, *Acting Superintendent.*

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, April 14, 1900. 867

Mails.

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATCHESON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILROAD Co.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO, AND SAN FRANCISCO *VIA* INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

Taking Cargo and Passengers to JAPAN PORTS, and HONOLULU, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, THE CENTRAL and SOUTH AMERICA, Etc.

Carlisle City.....3002...On 5th May.
Strathgyle.....5023...About 20th May.
Belgian King.....3379...About 5th June.
Thyra.....3812...About 8th July.

THE S.S. *Carlisle City* will be despatched for SAN DIEGO, and SAN FRANCISCO, *Via* KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on 30th April.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any point in the United States.

Cargo will be received on board until 5 p.m. the day previous to Sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until the same time. All Parcels should be marked to address in full. Value of same is required.

Consular Invoices, to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Diego, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Diego.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents,* HONGKONG, CHINA & JAPAN.

Hongkong, April 25, 1900. 591

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX; ALSO PORTS OF BRAZIL & RIVER PLATE.

ON **MONDAY,** the 7th May, at 1 p.m., the Co.'s S. S. *ERNEST SIMONS,* Captain DURANDE, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES *Via* Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal Places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m.; Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 6th May. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office).

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, *Agent.*

Hongkong, April 24, 1900. 940

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TO SAN FRANCISCO, *VIA* INLAND SEA OF JAPAN & HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Hongkong Maru, (via S'hai, N'saki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu), TUESDAY, May 8, at Noon.

Nippon Maru, (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu), THURSDAY, May 31, at Noon.

America Maru, (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu), TUESDAY, June 26, at Noon.

THE S. S. *HONGKONG MARU* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA & HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 8th May, at Noon, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route.*

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN, PACIFIC CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

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For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

C. L. GORHAM, *Acting Agent.*

Hongkong, April 19, 1900. 863

Mails.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY

WILL despatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATES named:—

FOR.	STEAMSHIP.	CAPTAIN.	DATE.
SHANGHAI.....	*Coromandel*	F. W. VIBERT, R.N.R.	About 27th April.
LONDON, &c.....	*Bengal* *	S. BARCHAM, R.N.R.	Noon, 28th April.
YOKOHAMA, Via N'SAKI & KOBE.	*Rosetta*	C. C. TALBOT, R.N.R.	About 28th April.
MARSEILLES & LONDON	*Malacca*	E. G. ANDREWS	About 3rd May.

* See Special Advertisement.

For Freight or passage, and further Particulars, apply to
A. M. MARSHALL, *Acting Superintendent.*

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, April 25, 1900. 257

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.
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STEAMERS WILL CALL AT *SOUTHAMPTON* TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers.	Sailing Dates.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 2nd May.
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 16th May.
HAMBURG (HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE)	WEDNESDAY, 30th May.
SACHSEN	THURSDAY, 14th June.
OLDENBURG	THURSDAY, 28th June.
BAYERN	THURSDAY, 12th July.
STUTTGART	THURSDAY, 26th July.
KONIG ALBERT	THURSDAY, 9th August.
WEIMAR	THURSDAY, 23rd August.
PRINZ HEINRICH	THURSDAY, 6th September.
PREUSSEN	THURSDAY, 20th September.
HAMBURG (HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE)	WEDNESDAY, 3rd October.
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY, 17th October.
OLDENBURG	WEDNESDAY, 31st October.
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY, 14th November.
STUTTGART	WEDNESDAY, 28th November.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 2nd day of May, 1900, at Noon, the Steamship PRINZ HEINRICH, of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain H. SUPMER, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on MONDAY, the 30th April, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 p.m. on TUESDAY, the 1st May, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on TUESDAY, the 1st May.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

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VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu, TUESDAY, May 15, at Noon.

City of Rio de Janeiro, (via S'hai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Y'hama and H'lulu). SATURDAY, June 9, at Noon.

City of Peking, (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Y'hama and H'lulu). THURSDAY, July 5, at Noon.

THE U. S. Steamship *China* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 15th May, at Noon, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

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Though Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

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Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m., same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

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For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

C. L. GORHAM, *Acting Agent.*

Hongkong, April 23, 1900. 924

Not Responsible for Debts.

NEITHER the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

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VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Gaelic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu). Tuesday, May 1, at Noon.

Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu). Wednesday, May 23, at Noon.

Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu). Tuesday, June 14, at Noon.

THE Co.'s Steamship *GAELIC* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 1st May, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route.*

Through Passengers Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passenger who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (*or vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

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C. L. GORHAM, *Acting Agent.*

Hongkong, April 25, 1900. 792

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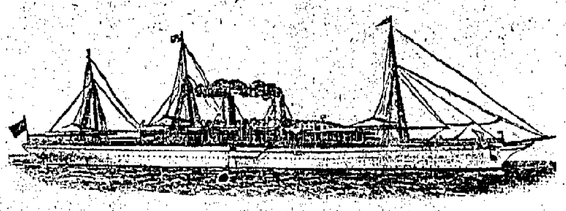

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KAGOSHIMA MARU, R. NUNOME,	BOMBAY, Via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.	FRIDAY, 27th April, at Noon.
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A. S. MIHARA, *Manager.*

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